## ABSTRACT

The Problem to Be Solved:

To provide a producing method of an optically active 
5 β-amino acid useful as intermediate for the production of 
medicines, agricultural chemicals and physiologically 
active substances, by means of a catalytic and asymmetric 
synthesis method of high performance and a high 
enantiomeric excess, without requiring additional 
10 procedures such as introduction and removal of protecting 
group and so on.

Means to Solve the Problems:

A producing method of an optically active  $\beta$ -amino 15 acids which comprises subjecting an enamine to an asymmetric hydrogenation.